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1. THERE FOLLOWS TEXT OF LETTER RECEIVED JANUARY 4 FROM CONGRESSMAN JACK KEMP:

"I HAVE RECENTLY BEEN CONTACTED BY MRS. SALLY TURCHIARELLI OF BUFFALO, NEW YORK, WITH REGARD TO EIGHT YEAR OLD EDWARD JRIEGE, WHO HAS COME TO THE UNITED STATES FROM MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA. ALTHOUGH THEY ARE NOT BLOOD RELATIVES, EDWARD IS LIVING WITH MRS. TURCHIARELLI, AND SHE CARES VERY DEEPLY FOR THE WELL BEING OF THIS YOUNG BOY

EDWARD IS THE VICTIM OF AN EXTREMELY RARE DISEASE ABOUT WHICH LITTLE IS KNOWN. THERE ARE ONLY APPROXIMATELY 40 CASES OF THIS DISEASE REPORTED WORLDWIDE. DR. JAMES COURT OF THE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL IN MELBOURNE WAS TREATING EDWARD AND IS QUITE FAMILIAR WITH HIS MEDICAL UNCLASSIFIED

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HISTORY. HOWEVER, EDWARD'S PHYSICIAN IN BUFFALO, DR. BERNARD EISENBERG, AND MRS. TURCHIARELLI HAVE BEEN UNSUCCESSFUL IN THEIR ATTEMPTS TO OBTAIN A COPY OF EDWARD'S MEDICAL RECORDS FROM DR. COURT.

AS YOU CAN IMAGINE, THESE MEDICAL RECORDS WOULD BE QUITE VALUABLE TO DR. EISENBERG IN TREATING EDWARD,

AND I WOULD GRATEFULLY APPRECIATE YOUR COOPERATION IN MAKING CONTACT WITH DR. COURT THROUGH THE CONSULATE IN MELBOURNE AND IN OBTAINING EDWARD'S MEDICAL RECORDS FOR DR. EISENBERG.

I THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR COOPERATION IN THIS IMPORTANT MATTER."

- 2. REQUEST CONGEN CONTACT DR. COURT AND OFFER APPROPRIATE ASSISTANCE IN FORWARDING RECORDS. IF DR. COURT UNABLE OR UNWILLING TO FORWARD RECORDS, PLEASE ADVISE.
- 3. REQUEST PRIORITY REPLY ON RESULTS OF INQUIRIES. KISSINGER

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